CHAPTER 74

REGULATION OF INVASIVE PLANTS — GARLIC MUSTARD, ORIENTAL BITTERSWEET, JAPANESE KNOTWEED, AND JAPANESE HOP

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AN ACT prohibiting the disbursement of a certain plant, including its seeds, commonly classified as garlic mustard, oriental bittersweet, Japanese knotweed, and Japanese hop within this state, and making penalties applicable.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 317.25, Code 2013, is amended to read as follows:

317.25 Teasel, Invasive plants prohibited — teasel, multiflora rose, and purple loosestrife prohibited — exceptions, and oriental bittersweet exception — penalty.

- 1. A person shall not import, sell, offer for sale, or distribute teasel (Dipsacus) biennial, the multiflora rose (Rosa multiflora), purple loosestrife (Lythrum salicaria), purple loosestrife (Lythrum virgatum), or garlic mustard (Alliaria petiolata), oriental bittersweet (Celastrus orbiculatus), Japanese knotweed (Fallopia japonica), or Japanese hop (Humulus japonicus), including the seeds of them those plants, in any form in this state. However, this section subsection does not prohibit the sale, offer for sale, or distribution of the multiflora rose (Rosa multiflora) used for understock for either cultivated roses or ornamental shrubs in gardens.
- <u>2.</u> Any person violating the provisions of this section subsection 1 is subject to a fine of not exceeding to exceed one hundred dollars.

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